

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic instrument comprising:
an electro-optical panel having an electro-optical material;
~~a holding member for holding the electro-optical panel;~~
~~a light-guide plate illuminating the electro-optical panel~~having a first surface and a second surface on opposite sides thereof, the first surface facing the electro-optical panel and extending substantially in parallel with the electro-optical panel in a predetermined direction, a thickness of the light-guide plate gradually decreasing in the predetermined direction so that the second surface is inclined with respect to the electro-optical panel;
~~a wiring circuit board disposed in the rear at the inclined second surface~~ of the light-guide plate;
a conductive terminal disposed on the wiring circuit board;
~~a circuit board arranged substantially in parallel with a surface of the electro-optical panel; and~~
a connector mounted on the circuit board at a position between the wiring circuit board and the circuit board and having an elastically deformable compression-type connector terminal in conductive contact with the terminal on the wiring circuit board at a conductive contact position, the connector being shiftable in the predetermined direction on the circuit board and the conductive contact position between the connector terminal of the connector and the conductive terminal of the wiring circuit board being shifted in accordance with shifting of the connector;

— wherein the thickness of the light guide plate gradually decreases in a predetermined direction to form an inclined surface;

— wherein the wiring circuit board is disposed on the inclined surface;

— wherein the connector is disposed between the wiring circuit board and the circuit board, and

— wherein the connector is adjustable in the predetermined direction on the circuit board and the connector terminal is brought into conductive contact with the terminal on the wiring circuit board.

2. (Previously Presented) An instrument according to Claim 1, further comprising a fixing structure for fixing the holding member on a mounting surface of the circuit board at the arrangement position.

3-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) An instrument according to Claim 1, further comprising controlling means for controlling the electro-optical device.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) An instrument according to Claim 1, wherein the circuit board is provided with a mounting terminal, which is brought into conductive contact with the connector, and has a shape extending in the predetermined direction.

14-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) An instrument according to Claim 1, wherein the terminal has a shape extending in the predetermined direction.

17-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) An instrument according to Claim 1, further comprising a light source for introducing light inside the light-guide plate from an edge of the light-guide plate,

wherein the light source is arranged to oppose an edge of the light-guide plate disposed in a direction opposite to the predetermined direction.

21. (Currently Amended) An electronic instrument comprising:
an electro-optical panel having an electro-optical material;
~~a holding member for holding the electro-optical panel;~~
a light-guide plate illuminating the electro-optical panel~~having a first surface and a second surface on opposite sides thereof, the first surface facing the electro-optical panel and extending substantially in parallel with the electro-optical panel in a predetermined direction, a thickness of the light-guide plate gradually decreasing in the predetermined direction so that the second surface is inclined with respect to the electro-optical panel;~~
~~a circuit board arranged substantially in parallel with the panel surface;~~
a conductive terminal disposed on the circuit board;
~~a wiring circuit board disposed in the rear at the inclined second surface of the light-guide plate; and~~
~~a connector mounted on the wiring circuit board at a position between the wiring circuit board and the circuit board and having an elastically deformable compression-~~

type connector terminal in conductive contact with the conductive terminal on the circuit board at a conductive contact position, the connector being shiftable in the predetermined direction on the wiring circuit board and the conductive contact position between the connector terminal of the connector and the conductive terminal of the circuit board being shifted in accordance with shifting of the connector;

wherein the thickness of the light guide plate gradually decreases in a predetermined direction to form an inclined surface;

wherein the wiring circuit board is disposed on the inclined surface;

wherein the connector is disposed between the wiring circuit board and the circuit board, and

wherein the connector is adjustable in the predetermined direction on the wiring circuit board and the connector terminal is brought into conductive contact with the terminal on the circuit board.